(c) To bring down the birth rate, the Family Welfare Programme has a well defined strategy which is constantly reviewed. This strategy emphasises an optimal use of infrastructure created; involvement of voluntary organisations; improving quality Of services, enhancing child survival; strengthening of information, education and communication; promotion of temporary contraceptive methods, incentives for terminal mehhods etc.

R&D Work in Scientific Establishment

479. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that the inputs into R&D effort in the scientific establishments have been going down during the last five years;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether it is a fact that the inade quate inputs into R&D effort in scientific establishments has adversely affected the industrial development in the country?

THE MINTSTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECH-NOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THF DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS AND SPACE (SHRI K. R. NARAYANAN): (a) to (c) No, Sir.

There has been a steady increase in the allocations for science and technology in the successive five year plans. The allocations (plan and non-plan) have increased from Rs. 20 crores in the First Plan to Rs. 3716 crores in the Sixth Plan and to over Rs. 7500 crores in the Seventh Plan. Over the years, the Government has created a industria] infrastructure for the soien-fic and industrial R&D.

In addition, the Government has also encouraged in in-house R&D in industry through incentives and awards

Irrigation Project of A. P.

480. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) what is the stage with regard to pending irrigation and Hydel Projects in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) what aie the reasons for the inordinate delay in the sanction of these projects; and

(C) by when do Government propose to clear t'nese pending projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI) • (a) 12 major and medium irrigation projects and *2* hydro electric projects from Andhra pradesh are pending for clearance.

ib) and (c) Delay is for want of either environmental Or forest clearance, inter-State issues or non receipt of replies from the State Governments on observations of Central appraising agencies.

Vacancies of Iudges in Various High Courts

481. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUS TICE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of vacancies of judges in different High Courts during the last three years;

(b) the number of vacancies that have t>een filled up during the last three years;

(c) wViat are the reasons for the delay in filling up of these vacancies; and

(d) whether it is a fact that some justices of Supreme Court felt that the delay in filling up the vacancies had led to the denial of justice to deserving cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRl HANS RAJ BHARDWAJ): fa) and (b) The reauisite information is given in the attached annexure *[See* Appendix CXLVm, Annexure No 25]

le) Selection of Judges involves delibera, tion in consultation with the concerned constitutional authorities and 's a continuous process. Government mates all possible eflorts to ensure that vacancies of , Judge$_s$ are filler expeditiously.

lid) Government are not aware whether some Supreme Court Judges have felt like that.

Budgetary Support denied to Public Sector Undertakings running in loss

482. SHRIMATl SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI: Will the Minister of PLANNING 'be pleased to state:

(.8) whether it is a fact that the Planning, Commission has suggested that budgetary support should be d$^{ér\prime e}$d fo loaihg Public Sector Units; anj

(b) if iso, what is Government's reaction to such proposal?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING AND IHE MINISTER OF PROGRAMM[1] IMPLEMENTATION <SHRI MADHAV-SINH SOLANKI): (a) No, Sir.

(ty Does not urise.

TNCC Camps held by NCC Directorate, Uttar Pradesh

483. SHRI SHARAD YADAV: Will the M'niste$_r$ of DEFENCE be pleased to state-

ia) fne details $_0$f Ae NCC Camps actually held, alongwith the number of participant cadets and expenditure incurred separately in each case, by the NCC Directorate, Uttar Pradesh and units under its jurisdiction in the year 1988;

(b) the details of the NCC Camps which are planned to be held by the NCC Directorate, Uttar Pradesh and its units by the end of December, 1988; and

(c) the name? of Ae universities and colleges i$_n$ Utfa$_r$ Pradesh whos$_e$ NCC cadets could not participate in the said camps as mentioned in pait (a) above due to late start of academic session, therein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRO-DUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHIN'MM-vM PANIGRAHI): (a) to (c) The requisite information is being collected and will b$_e$ laid on the Table of the House.

News Item Cap loned "Ghaziabad Ki NCC Men Bhrastachar"

484. SHRI SHARAD YADAV: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whethe,- Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which ap peared in the R.B. Times* dated 16th October, 1988 captioned 'Ghaziabad Ki NCC Me$_n$ Bhrastachar';

(b) whether tbe Commanding Officer concerned has been misusing telephone, official vehicle and the services of an army personnel as 'Orderly';

(c) whether it i$_s$ a fact that $_x$ civilian employee of 13 Up Girls Battalion NCC, Gnaziabad has not used the imounti taken as advance on two separate occa sions form Government for the purposes for which it was taken; and

(d) if answer to part (b) $_a$nd <c) above b$_e$ in affirmative, what remedial steps hav$_e$ been taken by Government in ihe said cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE TN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRO-DUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN ^4E MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHD: *td)* Yes, Sir.

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ib) to (d) The Informition is being collected and will be laid o$_n$ the Table of the House.

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